







Positions immediately available in Arizona! Serve your country in your community.

AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps*VISTA: A pathway to training and future employment

AmeriCorps and VISTA projects in Arizona currently have a number of positions immediately available. Qualified individuals with disabilities and those from diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply. **Reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals are provided.**

AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps*VISTA are part of the national and community network of national service programs that engage thousands of people to meet critical needs in education, public safety, homeland security, health and the environment. To learn more about AmeriCorps, please visit www.americorps.gov.

A critical need identified by AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps*VISTA is employment for people with disabilities. A Harris Survey sponsored by the National Organization on Disability shows that only about 34% of working-age Americans with Disability have regular, full-time employment. Compare this fact with the projection that over the next ten years a record number of people will retire creating an employment shortage—10 to 15 million jobs (The Erickson Tribune, January 2007, page 6). The time is now to take the advantage of the AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps*VISTA pathways to training and employment.

AmeriCorps or AmeriCorps*VISTA members receive benefits for the term of their service. Approximately benefits for full-time members include:

Living Allowance of \$11,800 Eligible for Health Insurance FICA

Education Award of \$5,350 Eligible for Child Care Workers Compensation

Part-time members receive proportionately fewer benefits depending on the length of term and, **but all are provided with a remarkable opportunity to serve!**

Outcomes of assignments with AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps*VISTA

89% of former AmeriCorps*State and National Direct members accepted public service employment (including governmental and nonprofit work within three years after completing their service

86% of former AmeriCorps*State and National Direct members indicated that their service experience and training helped to a large or moderate extent in their job, educational pursuits, or community service activities.

For project locations, available positions and contacts, read on.

The Arizona Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism is a Governor appointed commission of the Governor's Office for Children, Youth and Families, Division for Community and Youth Development